

Our Lady Help of Christians
July 11th The Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

MESSAGE FROM FATHER

Dear Friends:

Greetings and welcome! The parable of the Good Samaritan, featured in our Gospel this weekend, is a familiar story for all of us. Unique to the Gospel of St. Luke, this good Samaritan parable captures the heart of Jesus' teachings and the heart of the Mosaic law: love God by showing mercy to yourself and your neighbor. Once again, Jesus is tested by the question of the scribe with regard to eternal life and once again Jesus knows how to answer and how to challenge those who test Him and His teachings. Through the parable of the good Samaritan, Jesus taught the scribe that everyone deserves mercy and that one's neighbor transcends ethnic and religious lines that otherwise can divide us. This week, see where you can be a good Samaritan.

“Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live!”

This weekend we will have the annual collection for the Campaign for Human Development. This collection, sponsored by our American Bishops, gives them the means to assist those who suffer from natural disasters. They recently assisted the victims of the earthquake in Haiti.

I want to thank Curt McGaffin for his efforts to promote the summer blood drive and all his generous support and assistance to our parish. Many thanks to all who participated in the blood drive and our St. Vincent de Paul group.

My thanks to the parishioners who have offered their support to our recent financial needs. I appreciate your help and your acknowledging the needs of the parish. Thank you and God bless you!

Have a good week, stay cool and God bless!

Father Janton...



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Mon. 7/12 8:00 – Michael Donoghue
Tues. 7/13 8:00 – Edna Heim
St. Henry
Wed. 7/14 8:00 – Memorial Fund
Blessed Kateri Tekawitha, virgin
Thurs. 7/15 8:00 – Nicholas Della
Vecchia
St. Bonaventure, bishop and doctor of
the Church
Fri. 7/16 8:00 – Leo Roselli
Our Lady of Mount Carmel
Sat. 7/17 8:00 – Victor & Elvera Veitz
Burke, Gabrielle Brownlee, Katie
McCollum, Beth Anne Gallagher, Robert
McGowan, Maggie Slaven Shannon
DiGiuseppe and Father Thomas Duane.
Please remember the deceased
members of our parish and their families
especially Helen S. McGinley.

FLOWERS AT THE ALTAR

To request flowers at the altar; please call
Donna at the rectory at 215-886-3456.
Donation \$ 45.00

THIS WEEK AT OLHC

Mon. 7/12 – OLHC Prayer Group 8 PM
Tues. 7/13 – Rosary 7:30

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Entrance: #363 "All the Earth"
Gift Preparation: #355 "O How Lovely"
Communion: #502 "Our Blessing Cup"
Recessional: #531 "Take the Word of God"

TODAY'S READINGS:

First Reading: Deuteronomy 30:10-14

Second Reading: Colossians 1:15-20

Gospel: Luke 10:25-37

We name this Gospel passage after the Good Samaritan because he is clearly the Tale's hero. Legitimately we identify him as Christ, or see him, as a model of what a follower of Christ should be. But another possibility is to consider the man robbed and left half-dead. When he saw the Samaritan approach, what were his thoughts? We might think a person in that condition would readily accept help from anyone—but maybe not. Needing to be helped can be annoying. At the least, we want to write the script about the circumstances and who does the helping. But that is not always an option. The avenues of grace that God opens to us are not always going to be those we would expect or desire. This Gospel suggests, therefore, not only that we must be Good Samaritans to one in distress—though it certainly does suggest that—but also that we must be ready to accept help from those Samaritans who pass by when the distress is ours. Can I accept that my least welcome neighbor might be God's specially prepared gift to me?

Sunday Stewardship Report

Sunday June 27, 2010

Collection: \$6922.24

Envelopes: 261

Peters Pence: \$1345.00

Candles: \$47.00

Sunday July 4, 2010

Collection: \$8690.00 Thank you!

Envelopes: 224

Maintenance: \$1076.00 Thank you!

Candles: \$19.00

Thank you for your generous support!

SAFE ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM

If you intend to continue as a volunteer YOUR FILE **MUST BE COMPLETE AND UPDATED IF NECESSARY.** All Criminal Record and Child Abuse checks done before 2005 must be updated. **If you no longer volunteer please contact the parish office and let us know.** Anyone who has an incomplete file may not volunteer in the parish in any activity, which includes children. Register online at www.virtus.org or call 215-587-2466. Please arrive 15 minutes prior to the session to sign in and pick up training material.

OLHC GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Practice – Mon. 8/2 thru Thurs. 8/5 – 6:30 - 8:30 school gym for 3rd to 8th grade girls. Returning players should email Mrs. Quinn at unekeone65@aol.com if they will be missing any days. New players can email or call 267-228-8610 with questions. Returning players should go to www.wagdogs.com and register before the camp begins. OLHC was 2010 regional champs.

CYO COACHES NEEDED FOR FALL 2010-SPRING 2011

The current CYO Board is looking to fill several vacancies in the Athletic Ministry Program. Openings: CYO Secretary, Athletic Director, Website Coordinator, Soccer Coordinator, and Baseball Coordinator. Anyone interested in any of the above openings must provide a Letter of Intent specifying what sport and team. You must also have completed or be prepared to complete the Safe Environment requirements. Please drop your letter at the Rectory by July 16th 2010. If you have any questions, please contact Meredith Merlini the CYO President at 215-756-1818 or email merlini58@msn.com.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Any info request to be included in the bulletin must be received (in Writing) by 12:00 noon Friday, a week prior to the actual bulletin publication.

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HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

Congratulations to the following high school students who achieved honors at the conclusion of the school year:

Little Flower HS: Kathlyn Martin

St. Joseph Prep: Paul Gennaro

LaSalle High School: Matthew FitzPatrick, Joseph Heidt, Brian Malone, John Santangelo.
(Others will be announced when received)

ST. DAVIDS SCHOOL

St. David School is looking for all former lay teachers who taught there. On September 26th, 2010 Bishop McFadden will celebrate the 12:30 Mass to commemorate the 90th year of the school. If you can attend please call or e-mail Sister Angela Joseph by September 10th.
Phone: 215-659-6393 or email
srajoseph@stdavidparish.org

OLHC 55+ & OVER CLUB

PLEASE NOTE: The Executive Board of the OLHC 55+ & Over club will meet on **Friday, July 23RD at 11 AM** in the Church Chapel.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Our next couples experience will be August 6-8. For more info, call 1 800-456-8330.

OUR PARISH BULLETIN NEEDS YOUR HELP

It is provided free of charge to our Parish and provides important revenues! Please consider having your business, service, or professional practice recommended to all our Parish families. Please call Jim Finnen this week – Cell 610-653-2145 or Home 610-838-2238
This is one of the few inexpensive, local advertising opportunities left in our area and our Parish thanks you!

WORD OF LIFE

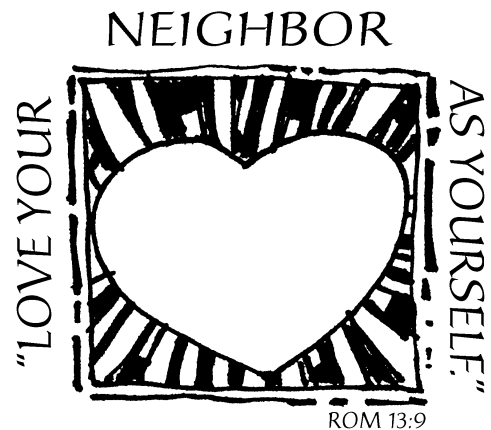
Abortion is advanced in the name of freedom, but it undermines freedom by demeaning life itself. No society can be truly free if its most vulnerable members can lose their very lives at the hands of others. And far from giving greater freedom to women, abortion leaves many women feeling trapped in a deep well of sorrow and remorse.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

The family is the key to the development of positive values, including peacemaking. Families need to talk about how violence affects each member, the family itself, and their neighborhood, and to discuss ways of responding in a non-violent manner. So much violent behavior has its roots in the deterioration of family life. Families that are experiencing domestic violence should search our helping organizations to assist them in overcoming this burden.

SUMMER CHURCH ATTIRE

We ask you to dress appropriately. “**Summer is here**”, but remember that when you dress for Mass that Church isn’t the beach. We show respect at Church events by our participation and in the way we dress.



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